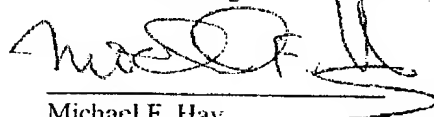


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APPLICANT:	THOMAS V. TAYLOR ET AL.	§	
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SERIAL NO.:	10/064,324	§	
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 9, 2004

Atty. Docket No.: TAY-13
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Dear Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated April 9, 2004, having a one-month deadline for response due by May 9, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests examination of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Arguments/Remarks begin on page 2.